

July 13, 2016

Chairman Tom Wheeler
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Business Data Services in an Internet Protocol Environment, WC Docket No. 16-143;
Special Access Rates for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers, WC Docket No. 05-25

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

My company, Extra Touch Gifts, LLC, is a home-based personalized gift company based in Wadsworth, Ohio. We rely on the Internet to reach our customers and sell our products. Unfortunately, for too many small companies like mine, special access fees for business data services charged by AT&T and Verizon increase costs, stifle competition and reduce innovation which could help my company grow.

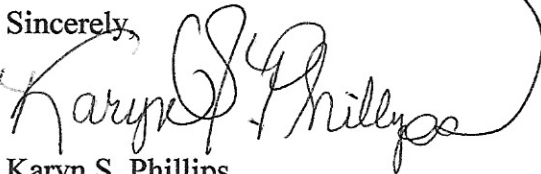
I urge the FCC to continue to stand up for consumers in the special access marketplace, specifically by capping prices, establishing new competitive triggers, and getting rid of old contracts with terms and conditions that unfairly limit competition.

Small businesses like mine are one of the main job producers in our economy. Rules and regulations which increase costs on small businesses harm our ability to grow. Excessive special access fees increase our costs and ultimately reduce needed innovation in the marketplace that allows our customers to reach us and allows us to sell our goods to them.

I respectfully ask the FCC to take action to encourage competition to the business data service marketplace and help small businesses such as mine thrive.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karyn S. Phillips". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

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